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SUBJ: NEW LEADERSHIP IN NORTHEAST RURAL WORKERS FEDERATION

1. INCUMBENT OFFICERS OF PERNAMBUCO FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURAL WORKERS WERE DEFEATED IN APRIL 11 ELECTION UPSET BY SLATE REPUTED TO SUPPORT IDEOLOGICAL LINE OF CONGRESS OF LATIN AMERICAN WORKERS (CLAT). NEW LEADERSHIP TAKES OFFICE MAY 11. REGIONAL LABOR DELEGATE IN RECIFE IS FOLLOWING SITUATION WITH CONCERN BUT IS NOT EXPECTED TO ACT TO PREVENT INAUGURATION OF NEW OFFICERS.

2. INTEREST IN ELECTIONS WAS HIGH WITHIN THE FEDERATION AND THE VOTE WAS CLOSE. OF 87 UNIONS ELIGIBLE TO CAST BALLOTS, DECISION WENT TO WINNING SLATE BY VOTE OF 45-42.

3. OUTGOING PRESIDENT NATIVO ALMEIDA BELIEVES NEW LEADERSHIP WILL ATTEMPT TO USE PERNAMBUCO FEDERATION AS A BASE FROM WHICH TO CAPTURE CURRENT "MODERATE" LEADERSHIPS OF OTHER NORTHEASTERN AGRICULTURAL FEDERATIONS. ALMEIDA TOLD LABATT ON APRIL 12 THAT WINNING SLATE RECEIVED EQUIVALENT OF 20,000 DOLLARS FROM NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL WORKERS CONFEDERATION, CONTAG, WHICH IT USED TO HELP SELECTED UNIONS PAY BACK MEMBERSHIP DUES AND THUS BECOME ELIGIBLE
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TO CAST BALLOTS. NEWLY ELECTED LEADERSHIP ALSO HAS SUPPORT OF LEFT WING CLERGY IN NORTHEAST.

4. COMMENT: NORTHEAST RURAL WORKERS FEDERATIONS WERE TARGET OF BOTH COMMUNISTS AND RADICAL CATHOLIC GROUPS IN EARLY 1960'S. PERNAMBUCO FEDERATION IS NOT LARGEST STATE AGRICULTURAL FEDERATION IN NORTHEAST, BUT IS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT BY VIRTUE

OF ITS WELL ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATION AND ITS RANGE OF ACTIVITIES.
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